

REMARKS

Currently pending in this application are claims 52 – 60, 62 – 77 and 79 – 87. Claims 43 – 50 have been canceled. Claims 1 – 42, 51, 61 and 78 were canceled in previous amendments.

Claims 66, 76, 82 and 83 have been amended to delete the duplicative use of the term “fossil fuel” in the Markush group and to add diesel fuel, gasoline and jet fuel to the group. This obviates the rejection of these claims under 35 USC §112.

Claims 60, 67 and 77 have been amended to read “selected from the group consisting of.” This overcomes the rejection of these claims under 35 USC §112.

Claim 70 has been amended to read “base fuel.” This overcomes the rejection of this claim under 35 USC §112.

Claims 43 – 45, 48 and 50 have been canceled rendering their rejection under 35 USC §102(b) moot.

New claims 86 and 87 mirror old claims 46 and 47, incorporating the limitations of the claims from which they depend. This renders the objection to these claims moot.

Claims 71 – 75 and 84 – 85 were objected to as depending from rejected claims. As the base claims have now been amended to address the rejections, this objection should be withdrawn.

The examiner indicated that claims 52 – 58, 62 – 65, 68, 69 and 79 – 81 were allowable.

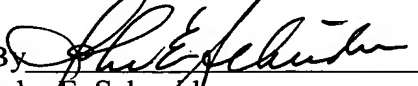
CONCLUSIONS

Applicant submits that the pending claims are free of the art and are in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes there is no fee due with this response. However, if fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. P02917US7 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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